



Birthday Party Information

Parties run about 2 hours, during which the children learn how to kayak – through playing games!

- finding the treasure bottles
- pinning the tail on the kayak
- dock ducking
- sponge fights
- gondolier
- even yoga!
- swimming (optional - but always come prepared to get wet!) and bring a change of clothes

They learn about the gear

- What to wear, lifejackets, good footwear, sunscreen, hats, water wicking clothing (vs cotton)
- Paddles – how to hold
- Boats – doubles vs singles, how to get in and out, how to STAY in, balance

About the environment and the conditions they'll be paddling in

- wind
- tides
- weather
- safety

Skills they'll learn

- forward
- backwards
- sideways
- circles
- stopping

Children should come prepared to get wet!

What to bring:

- Swimsuit
- Watershoes
- Sunscreen
- Hats and sunglasses with croakies (optional)
- Towel
- Change of clothes
- Drinks – recommend water bottles, we sell for \$5, refillable Downunder bottles.
- Waivers – each parent must sign a waiver

Message in a Bottle:

During the party the children will be searching for 'messages in bottles'. Each message will guide them to a place, or in an activity.

Party Favors: if you'd like the bottles to include a treasure, or have them return to find treasure at the dock - let us know. Party favors are 25% off retail – a shell necklace or sharks tooth is easy to fit in the bottle, OR you can bring goody bags and hide in our treasure box.

Photos:

We take photos where possible (waterproof camera), but encourage parents to come and take photos from the dock, or upper deck. If you'd like something more professional, we can arrange this as well.

Food

Rowayton Market: May use deck outside busy times, and if they purchase the cake through them. Pizza can be delivered by Rowayton Pizza if desired, or the Market can provide something (sandwiches etc).

Other Options:

- Ice-cream at Brenden's 101 (yes we can paddle there - 12 years+)
- Picnic lunch - Rowayton Market can pack something to go. Ask about the kayakers lunch bag.
- Parties on the deck - plan your own, or have Rowayton Market do it. For catered events there is a deck rental fee, and Downunder clients get a discount (\$350 vs \$400).
- Sheffield Island – private charter boat \$550 for 2 hours total, lower kayak rental rates.

Pricing: Varied based on number - call the office for a quote (203) 247-0578 or (203) 642-3660.

Reservations and Cancellations:

To reserve we just need a credit card #. The number is not charged until the day of the event, and you can choose a different form of payment at that time if you wish. Cash/Checks are always appreciated on the day. The cancellation policy is two weeks, with 48 hours notice to change numbers. Less than two weeks 50% is non refundable. Cancellation within 48 hours, there is no refund. In poor weather a credit will be issued towards another date or kayak rentals for that year, or a 75% refund given. No credit is given for last minute changes.